

God who is Holy

Scripture Reading: 99:1-9, 111:1-10

The most prominent of God's character and the most often spoken of about Him is His Holiness. That reveals His morality, royalty and all His goodness. Even in the Old testament, God desired to reveal Himself to His prophets primarily as a Holy God. Therefore it is with the mention of this trait that God is mostly praised and exalted. Just as His power makes Him mighty, His holiness makes Him glorious. Exodus 15:11, He alone is Holy.

Throughout the bible, this trait of God is mostly spoken and stressed upon. The verses and scripture portions that speak about it are many. Psalms 99:9, John 17:11, Acts 34:14, Ephesians 4:30. This also means that God is completely far from all that is evil, unclean and unholy. He is God alone, God set apart. Leviticus 11:43-45, Deuteronomy 23:14, Job 34:10. That means, God is completely complete, perfectly perfect and absolutely holy by Himself. To be righteous in character, discipline and deeds is Holiness. 1 John 1:5, Isaiah 6:3, Holiness means – completely clean abhorring all form of uncleanness.

God is Holy in his character and deeds. Exodus 15:11, Job 6:10, Isaiah 57:15. Holiness is God's personality. It is not one of his good traits, rather all his goodness together is His Holiness. He is a God without any form of sin or uncleanness. Since there is no form of sin in Him now or will ever be, He is absolute in morality. 1 Samuel 2:2, Psalms 99:9, 111:9, revelation 15:4.

God is Holy in His deeds. Everything He does is right, clean and without flaw. Out of such holiness His justice and righteousness is revealed. It is on this basis that God blesses those who walk just and righteous. On the contrary, He judges and condemns those who are unjust. Deuteronomy 32:3&4, Psalms 46:6, 115:3, 119:142.

God's holiness alone is the measuring line for our life and deeds. 1 Peter 1:16, one of the primary intent of God in the plan of salvation is that His name be glorified by revealing His holiness through our lives.

Questions:

1. Who is the God we serve?
2. What do you mean by holiness?
3. What are the areas in which we have to be holy?